Teaming for success

By Airman 1st Class George Cloutier 9th RW Public Affairs

Maintenance warriors from every career specialty and members throughout Team Beale came together recently to help avert potential loss of life and millions of dollars of military equipment in one of the largest maintenance operations Team Beale has seen to date when the U-2 Dragon Lady was grounded March 13.

To pull off the operation, nearly every shop in the 9th Maintenance Group, including units from around Beale, such as the 9th Support Division, the 9th Logistics Readiness Squadron's Petroleum, Oils and Lubricants Airmen, 9th Services Squadron and the

base chapel among others, who provided support for the operation, came together in an immense display of teamwork and dedication to the U-2 and the Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance mission.

"I applaud the selfless efforts of all team Beale organizations, specifically the maintenance professionals, who came together to get the U-2 back in the air," said Brig. Gen. H. D. Polumbo Jr., 9th RW commander. "These Airmen symbolize why we are the best Air Force in the world."

A small malfunction, which could have led to disaster, was first noticed during a routine maintenance procedure on a U-2's fuel tanks by Tech. Sgt.



Beale maintainers install an engine rail to remove a U-2 engine Tuesday. 9th Maintenance Group Airmen have been working around the clock to inspect and repair see REPAIRS page 10 Beale's entire U-2 fleet. (Photo by Airman 1st Class George Cloutier)

Beale OSI detachment wins AF-level award

By Senior Airman Christine Collier 9th RW Public Affairs

Detachment 218, Beale's Office of Special Investigations, recently won the 2006 Air Force OSI Detachment of the Year in the small detachment category.

The award comes after several notable OSI cases were solved at Beale, and many innovative techniques developed by Det 218 were benchmarked by Headquarters

"The selfless dedication and tenacity of the men and women of Det 218 astounds

me every day," said Special Agent A. J. Brasseur, Det 218 commander. "I was extremely pleased to see their efforts get recognized by the Air Force."

One of the most notable cases solved in 2006 was the recovery of stolen AF computer equipment, which contained important information on weapons systems. Det 218's handling of the case and partnership with Federal Bureau of Investigations agents led to the arrest and conviction of a suspect, closing out Air Combat Command's number one must-solve case.

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Bataan survivor tells story of perseverance

By Airman 1st Class George Cloutier 9th RW Public Affairs

Rules of perseverance: Rule one - take another step. Rule two — when you don't think you can take another step, refer to rule one.

On April 9, 1942, more than 72,000 American and Filipino soldiers surrendered to Japanese forces on the island of Bataan in the Philippines. What ensued afterwards would become one of the worst instances of human brutality against prisoners of war in the 20th century, and would be remembered foreyer as the Bataan Death March.

Chief Master Sgt. (Ret.) Robert Brown, now 82, is the youngest surviving member of the Bataan Death March. He speaks at the Airman Leadership School on his experience as a Japanese

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March Madness is scheduled for today from 4:30 to 9 p.m. at Recce Point Club. For more information, call 634-2433 or 634-5765

The Combat Dining-Out is scheduled for Friday in Dock 3. For more information, see Page 13. For dining-out rules, see Page5.

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Brig. Gen. H. D. Polumbo, Jr. is the 9th Reconnaissance Wing commander at Beale. (*Photo by John Schwab*)

Who is your mentor?

By Lt. Col. Christopher Jella 18th Reconnaissance Squadron commander

ho was your mentor in Elementary school? How about high school or college? Who is it now?

We often think of mentors as teachers or individuals that we have met that truly motivated us.

So what happens to people who don't meet someone that motivates them? What kind of mentor do they follow?

Webster defines a mentor as anyone who is "a trusted counselor or guide." School teachers are a large part of this formation during our early years of life as well as parents and other family members.

However, many people become lost in the busy world of today and need help to get back on track.

In the Air Force, and society in general today, countless people are hungry for someone to show them the way.

We look for someone to explain how

to get ahead in life, or simply appreciate it more; we look to those that we feel we want to become; and we look for answers and motivation. We look for people that we respect, that we trust, and someone that will listen. However, we should also look at ourselves.

We find it easy to evaluate others, but difficult to look inwards. More and more we criticize others actions, but rarely do we look at ourselves.

By evaluating our own actions, we can begin to see the path to our future and hopefully making this a better world in the end. I have learned that education, both receiving and giving, is the path to my success. So what can you do?

It starts with being a good role model, which everyone in the military is graded on by their performance reports.

Once we have learned a skill, or have had certain experiences, we owe it to those around us to share that knowledge.

Simply training your replacement is a great start, but once you take on the

role of trying to improve the lives of others, you have started down the path to become a mentor.

The Air Force is full of opportunities to put us on the track to become mentors. Within our own work spaces, we can teach others the skills and experiences we have already acquired. Volunteering for almost any community service puts us in a position to help others in need and portrays a positive role model.

Even something as simple as working with the Base Honor Guard can earn the statement, "Wow! That's sharp. I want to do that someday." Your actions can speak volumes to those around you. As a mentor you can not only change another life, we really can change the world.

So think back through your life and see who motivated you to become the person you are today. Are you a good role model? Who is your mentor? Now look around you. Do the people you interact with have a mentor? If they don't, are you willing to help them get farther in life by becoming a mentor?





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POW

"I went in the service as soon as I turned 16 on the second of August, 1940," the chief said. "1940 was a bad year. Japan was kicking the hell out of China."

Not long after his enlistment into the Air Corps, on Dec. 7, 1941 the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor, officially kicking off United States involvement in Word War II.

The chief was stationed in Bataan on that day, and for the next four months, American and Filipino forces held the Japanese at bay, protecting Australia from a full-on Japanese invasion.

The fighting was not easy however, as American forces on Bataan received minimal support.

By the time they surrendered, many soldiers were suffering from malnutrition as well as diseases such as malaria, which they had no medicine for.

"We'd been on half rations since the fifth of January '42, on third rations since February," the chief said. "We were starving to death."

Already starved, sick and wounded from battle, 72,000 soldiers set out on a 90- mile trek under Japanese control from Bataan to Camp O'-Donnell, most of which was on foot. Many would not make it to the end.

"On the Bataan Death March, if you fell down you were dead," the chief said. "They shot you, or stuck a bayonet in you and killed you. They marched us for 65 miles, and they would not let us get water, and no food."

Near the end of the march, the POWs were packed into box cars, which took them to the village of Capas. Many men were too weak to survive the train ride.

"They put 100 people in those box cars and shut the doors and rode us from San Fernando Union to Capas," the chief said. "We had guys die standing up and they couldn't even fall down because we were in there like sardines."

The death march ended at Camp O'Donnell on Oct. 6, 1942, four months after it started. The march may have ended, but the brutality was far from over.

"On the eighth of October, 1942, they jammed 2,000 of us in the front of a ship that was made in 1910, top speed maybe five, six knots," the chief said. "We buried 30 men at sea, and we were on that ship for 30 days going from Manila to Pusan, Korea."

From South Korea, the POWs were put on a train that would take them through North Korea and 400 miles into China to Manchuria. Many men were too weak to ride the train, and were left in Pusan.

"We got to Manchuria on the 11th of November, 1942," the chief said. "There was still snow on the ground, and that year it went down to 50 below zero."

In Manchuria, the chief worked at a Japanese POW hospital, where he learned to speak Japanese and served as an interpreter between Japanese doctors and American POWs. He spent two years there until American forces bombed the camp. He was eventually liberated by Russian soldiers and returned to Bataan under the order of General McArthur.

Chief Brown retired from the Air Force as a chief master sergeant in 1969. He has since returned to Manchuria to visit the old camp site, which is in modern day Shin-Yang, China.

He was been working with the Chinese government to make the site a historical landmark, and will be returning again in May of this year by request of the Chinese government.



The "Dash" By CMSgt Steve McDonald

Have you ever walked through a cemetery and looked at the headstones? There is a poem about the dates found on headstones. The poem reflects on the "dash" between the dates and how it reflects the importance of how we spend our lives.

That same reflection can be used regardless of how long of a period the "dash" covers. Recently, I had the privilege of deploying to the Middle East. During that time, I met many Airmen who were committed to making lasting improvements operationally, professionally and personally.

From quality of life initiatives, process efficiencies, pursuing education and making life-changing improvements, Airmen worked to make a difference. Airmen built a sports field for intramural sports. Airmen established a POL yard closer to the flight line. An Airman completed over 20 CLEP tests. An Airman re-

alized the need for fitness and lost 30 pounds. Airmen ran half-marathons for the first time in their lives. Airmen quit smoking.

These Airmen had an impact and made their "dash" count.

The next time you deploy, I hope you make the most of your deployment. Commit to leaving the place better than you found it. When you reminisce after your deployment, hopefully you won't regret wasted time during the "dash".

Finally, please don't confine this lesson to a deployment. Look back over your past assignments. What did you do with the "dash" representing your time at a particular location? Did you improve your workcenter? Did you enhance your professional or personal life?

What are you doing with the "dash" representing this assignment? Every day, you are given a new "dash". What are you doing with today?

Hopefully, you're going to go home without regret—knowing you made a difference.

UHRRIOR SPOTIGHT Staff Sgt. Grant Bailey

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Hometown Puyallup, Wash.

Air Farce goals: To complete
my bachelor's degree and
continue to be promoted

throughout my military career

Time in the Air Force: 11 and a half years

Hobbies: Scuba diving, skiing, back packing, mountain climbing and wine testing

The thing I like best about Beale



Staff Sgt. Grant Bailey is a U-2 aircrew life support craftsman with the 9th Physiological Support Squadron (Photo by Airman 1st Class Robert Biermann)

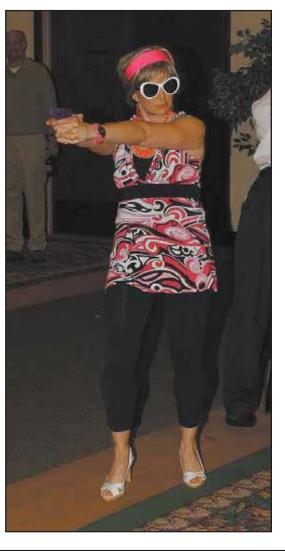
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BOSC 2007 Shamrauction

(Above) Joe Bishop, as Nigel Tuesday, confronts Capt. Steve Jones, as Carmine Blanca, with a blackmail tape during the 2007 Beale Officers' Spouses' Club Shamrauction play, "A Vintage Mystery," Friday at Recce Point Club.

(Right) Amy Frew, as Jessie Jones, the local law and FBI reject, enters the Recce Point ballroom, water pistol drawn, to secure a "crime scene." (Photos by Airman 1st Class Robert Biermann)



Survey complete for WG employees

By Airman 1st Class George Cloutier 9th RW Public Affairs

A team of Beale employees were selected to participate in the 2007 Federal Wage Survey, a study which gathers information to help determine future wages for federal wage system employees in the Sacramento, Calif. area, including Beale.

Over the course of the study, the team, including seven Team Beale members, gathered data from 152 companies in the five counties surrounding Sacramento including; Yolo, Placer, Yuba, Sutter and Sacramento counties. The survey is conducted every two years to ensure the fair pay of federal wage system employees.

"The information gathered is used to apply wage adjustments to these five counties, plus 17 other counties surrounding the Sacramento area," said C J Marquard, 9th Support Division Intermediate Flight chief, who was also on the survey team.

"We don't want to have our people underpaid," said Allan Thomson, 9th Civil Engineer Squadron asbestos abatement specialist, who was on the survey team.

According to Mr. Marquard, the process of collecting data was an extensive effort.

"The five teams, each with one management

and one labor representative, spent two full weeks collecting data from these companies and summarizing the data on the appropriate data forms logging literally hundreds of miles over the course of the survey," Mr. Marquard said.

According to Mr. Thomson, it appears that most companies had increased their pay by around three to five percent. This means pay federal wage system employees' pay could improve, however the data still has to go through further processes before it can actually be used.

Mr. Thomson also said that one of the major reasons many people are hoping for these increases to take effect, is that the cost of housing has been on the rise in the Beale area for some time, making it harder for Beale to attract and recruit potential employees.

"Housing is a big concern right now because it's been going up for the past three years, but it's starting to drop now," Mr. Thomson said.

Wage changes are expected to take effect sometime around April 16th and should be posted on the web at the Department of Defense, Civilian Personnel Management Service web site around that time.

For more information on the federal wage system and federal wage survey, check out the DOD/CPMS web site or call C J Marquard at 634-8691.

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Det 218 is also credited with solving several drug cases, shutting down 12 drug distribution operations and arresting 40 AF users. Beale's OSI agents seized over half a pound of cocaine, which was the biggest local law enforcement seizure in four years.

"2006 was a landmark year for Det 218," Agent Brasseur said. "We wouldn't have had this success without the terrific support from base agencies and local law enforcement."

In addition to the cases solved and suspects arrested, Det 218 was also recognized as having the number one ACC counter-intelligence education program, leading ACC in Eagle Eyes initiatives to detect terrorism with permanent resources. Det 218 also fielded a 9th Reconnaissance Wing commander's coin for Eagle Eyes to promote reporting.

"I applaud Det 218 on their numerous and extremely important achievements in 2006," said Brig. Gen. H. D. Polumbo, Jr., 9th RW commander. "We're very proud to have the agents of Det 218 as a part of Team Beale, working with local law enforcement day in and day out to make our community a safer place for our Airmen."

BAADD 634-5555

Beale Combat Dining-Out

Formal military dinners, such as the dining in and out, are a tradition in the Air Force. The combat dining-out represents many aspects of Air Force social life and is similar to the combat dining-in except spouses, guests and civilians are welcome.

Beale's combat dining-out is scheduled for Friday at Dock 3. The cost is \$10 for E-5s and above and \$5 for E-4s and below. Dress will be BDUs or DCUs (for Airmen who've deployed recently). Don't forget water guns. This event is open to all military ranks and their civilian guests. For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Kevin Scharwath at 634-9096.

Below are rules all should follow while attending the dining-out to:

Rules of Engagement

As with all combat operations, boundaries are established to limit atrocities and collateral damage in pursuit of mission objectives. In addition to the Geneva Convention and Law of Armed Conflict, the following Rules of Engagement have been established in the interest of fair play, safety and unnecessary damage to high-value assets (equipment and facility). Violations will not go unpunished. Rules of engagement will be monitored by the mess and vigorously enforced by the Sergeant at Arms and his subordinates.

- 1. Challenges will only be accepted based on violations of the published Rules of the Mess, Rules of Engagement, Geneva Convention or LOAC.
- 2. Visits to the Grog will be executed in accordance with established procedures. Visitors will be given their choice of alcoholic and non-alcoholic Grog to choose from.
- 3. It is recommended that all personnel be armed. Authorized armaments are limited to water-filled weapons of choice (excluding buck-

ets, glasses and other weapons of mass destruction) and dinner rolls. No other liquid or solid munitions are authorized (even if readily available). All armament will be sourced individually or through squadron representatives

- 4. Thou shall not single out one individual for multiple attacks.
- 5. A five-foot NO FIRE ZONE exists around all flags and sound system components.
- 6. Entering the NO FIRE ZONE in order to deter and escape attacks is not permitted. **SPECIAL NOTE:** Although most violations will be punished by a trip to the Grog, certain violations may warrant more severe punishment to include, but not limited to: confinement, hard labor or firing squad. Safety concerns will not be scarified for uncontrolled merry-making!

Rules of the Mess

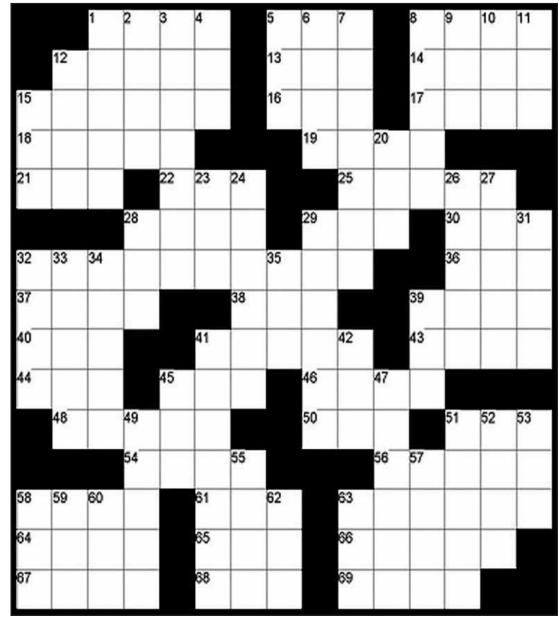
The following rules will be strictly enforced. Violations will result in punitive action by the President of the Mess. He will be assisted by Mister and Madam Vice, who have in their possession a bottomless "Grog" bowl.

- 1. Thou shall not arrive late for the combat dining-out. Being "Fashionably Late" may be considered acceptable for a cocktail party, but not for military operations. The lives of your comrades could depend on your being at the designated place at the proper time.
- 2. Thou shall not smoke unless the smoking torch is lit and only in designated areas. Smokeless tobacco will only be used outside of the dining area. Don't give OPFOR an easy target of opportunity
- 3. Thou shall not leave the mess while convened. Military necessity overrides all calls of nature. If, however, nature's call is unbearable, an

Airman must first do a sniper check and may only go with permission from the President or Vice. If permission is given, a time limit will be imposed.

- 4. Thou shall not violate proper toasting protocol. Participate in all toasts unless you or your organization is honored with a toast. Ensure your glass is "charged" at all times. An empty glass is grounds for swift and severe punishment. Traditionally, only people are toasted but it is acceptable to toast organizations and groups. Toasts should be within the limits of good taste.
- 5. Thou shall not murder the Queen's English. Vulgarity, profanity or unusually heavy regional or ethnic accents are unacceptable.
- 6. Thou shall not "open the hanger doors." Although this is a military function, discussion of taskers, suspenses and "Shop Talk" will not be tolerated. Violators will be dealt with severely.
- 7. Thou shall not applaud. Approval is indicated by rapping your water glass with your spoon or banging the table with your unit coin.
- 8. Thou shall not question the decisions of the President of the Mess (a.k.a. quibbling). All decisions of the President of the Mess are final. Decisions of the Vice may be appealed to the President of the Mess. Extreme caution should be exercised when making your appeal. Additional violations could result, compounding the sentence.
 - 9. Thou shall enjoy thyself.
- 10. Thou shall try to meet all members of the mess. Networking, networking.
- 11. Thou shall move with a sense of urgency when the alarms are sounded. Remain standing at your table until authorized to be seated by the President of the Mess.

- 12. Thou shall not bring outside beverages into the mess. The Sergeant at Arms has authority to confiscate all such beverages and dispose of them as he sees fit.
- 13. Thou shall not engage in verbal discourse whilst another member has the floor. Talk may be cheap, but it's impolite and not worth the penalty.
- 14. Thou shall address, directly, only the Vice Presidents of the Mess. Members of the mess are beneath all other significants.
- 15. Thou shall not begin eating a course of the meal before the president. Privileges, privileges.
- 16. Thou shall heed all gavel raps and directions from the President. Out of respect for our fellow members, politeness, and to keep control of the mess.
- 17. Thou shall have required items on your person at all times. These include, but are not limited to: (1) a BDU article (desert camouflage and flight suits acceptable), (2) DD Form 2, (3) BDU or DCU hat, boonie hats are acceptable; organizational hats are not acceptable, (4) dog tags.
- 18. Thou shall be constantly aware of alarm conditions. This will ensure safety of equipment and personnel moving into position for events. Failure to comply will result in confiscation of weapons.
- 19. Thou shall be prepared to show your "War Face" when challenged by the President of the Mess. "War Faces" should be very loud, full of expression and heartfelt.
- 20. All Military members are responsible for their civilian guests. Violations committed by civilian guests will be paid by the member who invited them unless that civilian is willing to face the Grog. If the civilian does choose the Grog he or she will be accompanied by a capable military escort.



CSAFs, Vol. 1By Capt. Tony Wickman 71st Flying Training Wing Public Affairs

ACROSS

1. Domesticate

5. Evil

8. Foreshadow

12. CSAF from June 30, 1961 - January

31, 1969

13. Pie _ mode

14. CSAF from August 1, 1969 - July

31, 1973 15. Dog

16. Fuel

17. USAF ace Brig. Gen. Robin _

18. Musical theater

19. USAF base in S.C.

21. Select

22. Actress Carrere

_ circle; close pals

28. Blast

29. Explosive combo

30. The female person 32. CSAF from April 30, 1948 - June

29, 1953

36. Grass

37. Country host of Balad AB

38. Baseball stat.

39. Gave direction

40. Acting CSAF from September 18 -

October 29, 1990

41. Mathematical sign

43. CSAF from November 6, 1997 -

September 6, 2001

44. Flightless bird

45. Cooking item

46. Art or practice of casting magic

spells; magic; voodoo

48. Off course

50. Kwik-E-Mart owner/operator on The

Simpsons

51. Conjunction

54. Japanese cabinet

56. Computer need for the Internet

58. Sandy hill

61. Group

63. CSAF from September 26, 1947 -

April 29, 1948

64. Largest continent

65. Self-esteem

66. Univ. of Maryland players, informal-

67. Ringing item

68. Sweet potato

69. Before the present time; formerly

DOWN

1. Principle

2. Male royalty 3. Sea cow

4. Hurricane center 5. Paper or plastic offering

6. Sigh

7. Stylishly handsome

8. CSAF from August 1, 1973 - June 30,

9. Popeye's girl Olive

10. Father

11. USN rank

12. Finnic people of northern Norway,

Sweden, and Finland

15. Babble

20. Picnic crasher

23. Bond writer Fleming

24. Even if

26. Thinking piece

27. 70s TV show

28. Fast, in brief

29. Serious injury center

31. Garden spot 32. Abysmal

33. Scent

34. Minor Prophet of the 7th century b.c. 35. Sea bird (var.)

39. Sis' sib

41. CSAF from September 2, 2005 present

42. Drench

45. Greek letter 47. CSAF from September 6, 2001 -

September 1, 2005

49. Perfect

51. Fit in

52. NJ team

53. Span between DPRK and ROK

55. Roman garb

57. Paddles

58. Blob

59. Exploit

60. Zero

62. Singer Jones 63. Sault Marie

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Some pet food products targets of recall

FORT LEE, Va. - Commissaries worldwide have been directed to remove from their shelves certain cat and dog food products listed in a recall by Menu Foods Inc., based on a Food and Drug Administration warning issued March 17.

The recall resulted from consumer complaints received by the manufacturer and from tasting trials conducted by the manufacturer.

The FDA has been informed that Menu Foods, Inc., a private-label pet food manufacturer based in Statesville, Ontario, Canada, is recalling all its "cuts and gravy" style dog and cat food produced at its facility in Emporia, Kan., between Dec. 3, 2006, and March 6, 2007. The products are sold in the United States, Canada and Mexico.

Commissaries are pulling the fol-

lowing items from shelves:

* Various sizes of IAMS cat food (chicken wild rice, chicken and gravy, tuna in sauce, tuna weight control, turkey chicken beef in gravy, salmon tuna in sauce, chicken in gravy, tuna flakes in sauce, ocean fish entrée, chicken entrée, chicken, and lamb and rice).

* Various sizes of IAMS dog food pouches (chicken with gravy, beef and gravy, weight control chicken, meat variety pouches, chicken and rice entrée, and beef and vegetables and gravy).

* Various sizes of Mighty Dog (variety 12 pack and chicken).

There has been a small number of reported instances of cats and dogs in the United States that developed kidney failure after eating the affected product. Ten deaths, one dog and nine cats, have been reported at this time. The firm has undertaken extensive testing of the pet food products in question, but to date has been unable to find the source of the problem.

Consumers who have any of these products should immediately stop feeding them to their pets.

Pet owners whose dogs or cats have eaten the suspect feed and show signs of kidney failure (such as loss of appetite, lethargy and vomiting) should consult with their veterinarian.

Any commissary customers who have this product at home are asked to return it to the store from which they purchased it for a full refund.

Any unused portions of the product should not be consumed.

A complete list of all the poten-

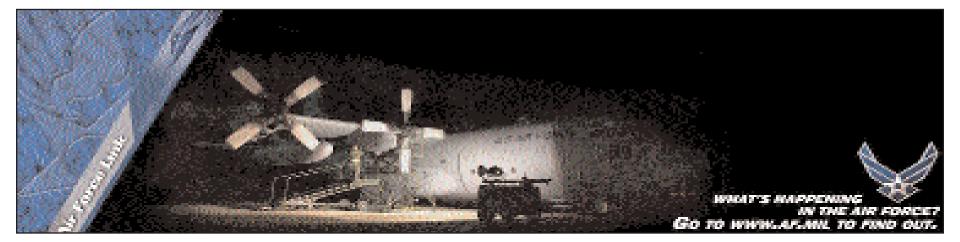
tially contaminated pet foods can be found on the Internet at http://www.menufoods.com/recall.

The products are packaged in cans and pouches under numerous brand names and are marketed nationwide by many pet food retailers including Ahold USA Inc., Kroger Company, Safeway, Wal-Mart Stores Inc., PetSmart Inc., and Pet Valu Inc.

FDA is investigating and working with Menu Foods to ensure the effectiveness of the recall.

Consumers with questions may contact the company at 1-866-895-2708.

Consumers who want to report adverse actions or other problems should visit http://www.fda.gov/opa-com/backgrounders/complain.html to contact the FDA complaint coordinator in their state.





March 23 Puzzle Solution

8 CHURCH March 23, 2007

Beale AFB Chapel Programs

"Glorifying God – Honoring Airmen – Serving All"

Protestant Sunday

0900 Foothills Chapel Praise Service with Nursery 1030 Sunday School at Lone Tree Elementary ages 3 to Adult 1100 Valley Chapel Gospel Service with Nursery

Tuesday

1800 at Foothills Chapel AWANA - Cubbies to T&T with Nursery

Wednesday

0900 at Valley Chapel PWOC (Protestant Women of the Chapel) with Nursery

1900 at Valley Chapel Bible Study with Nursery

Friday

Monthly Officer Christian Fellowship – POC Capt Stremmel 634-3897

Protestant Youth, Puppet Ministry, Protestant Men – POC Ch Olson 634-4701

Catholic

Sunday

0900 Religious Education at Lone Tree Elementary preschool to 12th Grade

1030 Foothills Chapel Mass

1700 Foothills Chapel Mass RCIA, Catholic Youth, Catholic Women/Men, Bible study, Baptisms – POC Leila at 634-4707

Daily

1130 Foothills Chapel Mass except Thursday

Islamic

Friday

1300 Valley Chapel Islamic Prayers – POC Ed Helalian at 634-3834

Pagan

Saturday

1400 Valley Chapel discussion group – POC George Cloutier 634-8887

Questions may be directed to the Chapel Staff at 634-4701 or 634-4705 Valley Chapel is at 6199 C Street on the main base near the Bowling Alley

Foothills Chapel is at 15001 Camp Beale Highway in the housing area

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Friday evening Let's Go to Prison (R)

Dax Shepard, Will Arnett
John Lyshitski is a car stealing

slacker with a weed problem, and has been in Illinois' Rossmore State Penitentiary so many times, he knows its entire population of both staff and cons by their first names. Cursed with the old ill luck of being in the wrong place, at the wrong time, in possession of the wrong car, he's been deemed a lost cause repeat offender in the eyes of everyone else. When the heartless judge, who has been behind most of his sentences, goes to the big court house in the sky, John decides to ruin the man's legacy by having the judge's only offspring, Nelson Biederman IV, thrown in the slammer along with him. Here, the world-class selfish jerk learns a certain old lesson the hard way: Do unto others as you would have others do unto you. But has John somewhat gone too far in the payback department?



Saturday evening Rocky Balboa (PG)

Sylvester Stallone, Burt Young Former heavyweight champion

Rocky Balboa steps out of retirement and back into the ring, pitting himself against a new rival decades after his initial glory. When a computer simulated boxing match declares Rocky Balboa the victor over current champion Mason "The Line" Dixon, the legendary fighter's passion and spirit are reignited. But when his desire to fight in small, regional competitions is trumped by promoters calling for a rematch of the cyber-fight, Balboa must weigh the mental and physical risks of a high profile exhibition match against his need to be in the ring.



Wednesday evening Children of Men (R)

Julianne Moore, Clive Owens
A futuristic society faces extinc-

tion when no children are born and the human race has lost the ability to reproduce. England has descended into chaos, until an iron-handed warden is brought in to institute martial law. The warden's ability to keep order is threatened when a woman finds that she is pregnant with what would be the first child born in 27 years.

Movies are shown at the Community Center.

Evening movies play at 6 p.m.

The cost is free.

For more information, call 634-3165.

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Charles Warren, 9th Maintenance Squadron fuels craftsman.

"After noticing fuel seeping from a sump tank, one of our fuels experts removed the suspect fuel sump tank and found three small burn marks in the tank," said Col. Stephen Sheehy, 9th MXG commander. "One of the burn marks went all the way through the tank, which was caused by a wire that was arcing against the fuel tank."

With the potential of a deadly combination of fuel and electrical sparks, the severity of the situation was immediately recognized.

"After we found the problem I realized that this could have been catastrophic if the wire had ignited the fuel inside the tank," Sergeant Warren said.

Sergeant Warren didn't waste any time reporting the problem, which he found while working weekend duty March 10. By the following Monday, March 12, the problem had reached wing leadership. The next day, Air Combat Command ordered the grounding of the entire U-2 fleet.

"Grounding the fleet is never an easy decision to make, especially when you realize you're grounding 90 percent of the ISR capability in the world," said Chief Master Sgt. Timothy Barnett, senior enlisted superintendent for the 9th MXG. "In a time of war when you're going to put airplanes down, that's a big decision that's not taken lightly."

When the fleet was grounded

March 13, Beale maintenance personnel were put on 12-hour shifts, providing 24-hour support to get the U-2 back in the air. Their task was daunting: fixing all local U-2s and coordinating maintenance for deployed U-2s worldwide each needing, each needing more than 80 hours of maintenance.

While the core repairs were simple, installing two clamps that would hold the wire bundle away from the fuel tank, each plane needed to be laboriously disassembled before repairs could be made.

"We found the worst possible place on the airplane to have to install two clamps," Chief Barnett said. "For two hours of clamp installation, we have had to perform over eighty hours of other maintenance per plane to facilitate the repair, and that's a best-case scenario. It's not a user-friendly jet. It was made long before we started talking about human factors in design."

Besides safety improvements, there have been other tangible benefits to this extensive maintenance. One example has been the training opportunities provided, especially to younger maintenance Airmen who may normally wait months for many of these core task opportunities, which slows skill-level upgrades

"This has been a golden training opportunity," said Master Sgt. Todd Mohs, 9th Maintenance Squadron production superintendent. "We're able to get a lot of our new folks and supervi-

sors trained up."

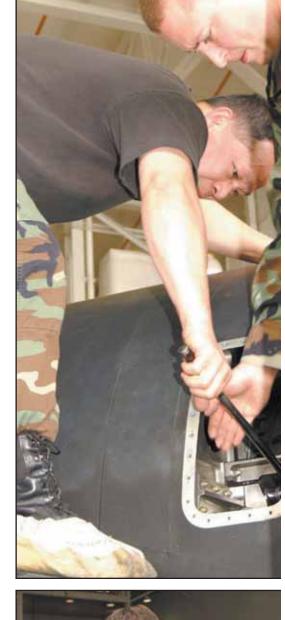
"All of the guys here are getting tons of experience that we're going to use for the rest of our career," said Senior Airman Erik Larson, 9th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron crew chief. "It's definitely a curse but a blessing in that aspect, because we don't like to see the whole fleet down like this."

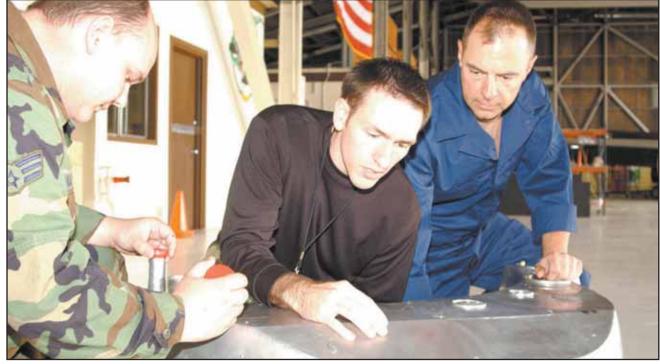
Despite the difficulty of working long shifts, often times in cramped conditions, Team Beale maintenance personnel understand the importance of the U-2 in the Global War on Terror

"When we heard about the TCTO (time compliance technical order), we knew the significance of the U-2 in the free world as far as security reconnaissance and the resource that it is for other services," said Tech. Sgt. James Capps, 9th MXS fuels craftsman.

"These guys are doing such a phenomenal job out here and they know they're not our here for a futile effort," said Master Sgt. Forrest Harrington, 9th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron support flight chief. "They're know they're out here to impact the Global War on Terror and are making huge contributions to operations overseas."

"I never thought the war on terror could be affected so much by something that a couple of maintainers found on a Saturday afternoon here at Beale," Sergeant Warren said. "This just goes to show that what we do here really matters."





Senior Airman Stephen Teekell, 9th Maintenance Squadron Aircraft Fuel System technician, Airman 1st Class David Hubbard, 9th MXS Aircraft Fuel System technician and Tech. Sgt. James Capps, 9th MXS Aircraft Fuel System craftsman, inspect a U-2 fuel tank. (Photo by Airman 1st Class George Cloutier)











(Top left) Tech. Sgt. James Angeles, 9th Maintenance Squadron Propulsion flight, and Airman 1st Class Jeremy Deck, 9th MXS Propulsion flight, torque aft U-2 engine mounts.

(Top) Jason Schommer, a 9th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron Dedicated Crew Chief, inspects a tail pipe track during a U-2 aft section inspection prior to a tail section installation.

(Above) Beale maintainers install an engine rail to remove a U-2 engine.

(Left) Master Sgt. Forrest Harrington, 9th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron Support Flight chief, and Master Sgt. Todd Mohs, 9th Maintenance Squadron production superintendent, coordinate U-2 maintenance schedules between the 9th AMXS and 9th MXS, who worked together to fix the U-2. (Photos by Airman 1st Class George Cloutier)

Community Briefs

Airmen's Attic hours

The Airmen's Attic will be closed from March 26 to April 11. Please do not drop off donations without calling ahead. For more information or questions, call the attic at 634-5640 or after hours at 788-2993.

Base Advisory Council

The Base Advisory Council meeting scheduled for March 28 at 9:30 a.m. has been cancelled. For more information or questions, call Harl Sanderson at 634-2311 or 634-5057.

ERAU openings

The Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Beale Campus is currently seeking applicants for computer instructors. Qualified applicants must have a master's degree in one of the following areas: Computer Science, Management Information Systems or Business Information Systems. Applicants must provide documented experience in the field such as performance appraisals, job descriptions, teaching computer courses, etc. Other degrees in the teaching discipline are Management or Business Administration with documented experience in the field. For more information, e-mail Bill Teeple at teepl44e@erau.edu.

Volunteer award

The Volunteer of the Quarter award has been established to recognize Beale personnel for their volunteer service and enhance their visibility throughout the base. The Volunteer of the Quarter award is awarded in four different categories: military, DoD civilian, community and youth volunteer. All military, federal civilians, family members and retirees are eligible to be submitted for this award. Awards should be submitted on an Air Force Form 1206, Nomination for Award, in an original and four copies. Nominations should be limited to five to 10 bullet statements highlighting the volunteer's most significant accomplishments within the January to March 2007 quarter. All packages are due to the Airman and Family Readiness Center by April 5. For more information, call Elizabeth Kim at 634-2863.

Pre-separation brief

Twelve months prior to separating or 24 months before retiring from the military, all military members can receive pre-separation counseling. The counseling must be completed no later than 90 days prior to the separation or retirement date. Once pre-separation counseling is complete, individuals can sign-up for ad-

ditional transition classes. Pre-separation classes are held Wednesdays from 9 to 10:30 a.m. To register, call 634-2863.

Wingman Training

Wingman training is scheduled for April 10 at 8 a.m. in the Airmen and Family Readiness Center. Learn to be an outstanding wingman to a Team Beale member on their return from a deployment. To register, call 634-2863.

Investment class

"It's Your Move a Game Plan for Investing" is scheduled for April 12 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. The program includes concepts such as understanding the investment world, to include risk tolerance, liquidity, marketability, etc. To register, call 634-2863.

Earth week events

In celebration of Earth Week 2007, the following activities have been scheduled:

* An Earth Day celebration is scheduled for April 16 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. An Earth Day booth manned by Environmental personnel will be located at the Base Exchange entrance.

Environmental souvenirs will be given away along with other educational in-

formation.

- * An Arbor Day celebration is scheduled for April 18 from noon to 2 p.m. The celebration will consist of a tree planting ceremony along Warren-Shingle Boulevard. The celebration gives Beale members an opportunity to support the National Arbor Day Foundation's "Tree City USA" program and to encourage participation of the community in tree planting and maintenance. The ceremony also includes a poster contest involving fifth graders from Far West School.
- * A Vernal Pool tour is scheduled for April 19 from 12.30 to 3 p.m. The tour will be led by vernal pool experts Dr. Tom Griggs and Patrick Stone. The purpose of the tour is to teach individuals more about these wetlands, and the plants and animals that live on Beale. Please wear old clothing and shoes as it may be muddy. Those interested in the tour should meet at the DUI parking lot at 12:30 p.m. The bus will return by 3 p.m. For more information or to register for the tour, call Chuck Carroll at 634-2738 e-mail orcharles.carroll@beale.af.mil or call Jamie Visinoni at 634-4451 or e-mail at jamie.visinoni.ctr@beale.af.mil.
 - * A nature and birding walk is schedsee **BRIEFS** page 13

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uled for April 21 from 9 to 11 a.m. in the 720 acre Riparian Restoration Area. Interested parties should meet near the kiosk and the gate in the Tree Bridges area near Dry Creek.

Candy Caper

The Spouses of Team Beale are excepting donations of individually wrapped candy for the first "Candy Caper" to benefit dorm residents. Drop off locations are located at the Recce Point club and the Airman and Family Readiness Center. Assembly will be on March 29 at 1 p.m. in the Chief's Room at Recce Point. For more information, call Michelle Morey at 788-9704.

Pre-pay service

The Main Base Service Station on J Street and the Beale Capehart Shoppette will be changing to pre-pay for gasoline purchases. Customers will still be able to use all major credit cards, Star and Voyager cards at the pump beginning March 24.

Yuba College term IV classes

The following Yuba College classes will begin Thursday at the Beale Education Center: Occupational Work Experience, Micro Economics, Physical Geography, US History, Humanities, Critical Thinking, Personal and Social Adjustment, Lifespan Development, Introduc-

tion to Spanish and Argumentation.

The Beale Yuba College Outreach site provides counseling, assessment, financial aid information and registration. Military members must register at the Beale Education Center, regardless of where classes are located. Most of the classes available at the Beale outreach location fulfill general education requirements for CCAF degrees, Yuba College and most other colleges and universities.

Family members are welcome to use the services provided at the Yuba College Beale Outreach office.

Most family members qualify for a complete waiver of fees, and many also receive financial aid cash awards. Active Duty personnel and their Family members are eligible for in-state tuition rates (currently only \$20 per credit).

For more information, call Susan Downing at 788-0973 or e-mail at sdowning@yccd.edu

OB Orientation

The next OB Orientation class will be held April 18 in the Beale Clinic conference room from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

For more information or to registration, call Roberta Trumm at 634-0626.

Air Force Reserve recruiter

Individuals who are separating from active duty service within the next six months must schedule an appointment

with the Beale Air Force Reserve In-Service recruiter. Interested in early separation? Ask about the Palace Chase Program. Walk-ins are limited and spouses and other important advocates are welcome to attend briefings.

For more information, call Master Sgt. Roger Haynes at 634-3120 or visit the office located next to Civilian Personnel at the MPF in Room 178.

BBU classes

The 9th Maintenance Squadron Brown Bag University is offering an upcoming Social Science class.

The specific class is currently undetermined, but offers an opportunity to take Yuba Community College classes during lunch. Anyone interested in attending a Social Science class to fill CCAF requirements may contact Master Sgt. Ronald Loveland at 634-4211 or visit the 9th MXS Programs Flight area in Building 1086, Room 190 to fill out a registration application.

As soon as 15 individuals commit to the class a specific class will be selected.

LIFT event scheduled

Beale Protestant Women of the Chapel will be hosting the first Ladies in Fellowship Together event March 31 at 6 p.m. at the Foothills Chapel.

For more information or to RSVP, call Jennifer McDonald at 788-7264 or

Mia Whitley at 788-9079.

Beale Enlisted Spouse's Club

The Beale Enlisted Spouse's Club's Web site www.bealeenlistedspouses.com is now up and running.

For more information, e-mail Lauren Cooper at laurencooper@bealeenlisted-spouses.com or call at 301-7940.

Chapel positions

The Beale Chapel is hiring for the following positions: 9 a.m. Praise Service musician, 10:30 a.m. Catholic Mass musician and a 5 p.m. Catholic Mass musician.

For more information, call Staff Sgt. Brian Ramirez at 634-4701 or Tech. Sgt. Joseph Cook at 634-3597.

Yuba College job openings

Yuba College is currently seeking applicants for a communication studies instructor. Qualified applicants must possess a master's degree in one of the following disciplines: speech, speech communication, communication studies, speech broadcasting, telecommunications, rhetoric, communications, organizational communication or a bachelor's degree in one of these areas and a master's in drama/theater, mass communication, or English. For more information, call Susan Downing at 788-0973 or e-mail her at sdowning@yccd.edu.



Make a difference, become a Beale Mystery Shopper

Do you want to make a difference in the Beale community? The 9th Services Squadron is looking for volunteers to become Mystery Shoppers. Here is your chance to help make improvements to Beale Services' customer service. For your valuable input you will be eligible to receive free meals and free entertainment. No experience required, and the hours are flexible. By becoming a Mystery

Shopper you will help the 9th Services d improve employee customer services awareness. There will questionnaires to assist with detailed narratives. These questionnaires provide Services with an unbiased opinion, a realistic picture of how the customer perceives the 9th Services. We want to make the 9th Services Squadron the best that Air Force has to offer, and the way to accomplish this is

To become a Mystery Shopper requires no experience but a desire to improve Beale Services' customer service.

by listening to customers. If you are interested in becoming a Mystery Shopper for Services, please stop by the Community Center or call the Marketing department at **634-5407**.



The Weight Loss and Healthy Living support group will meet to promote a health-conscious lifestyle.

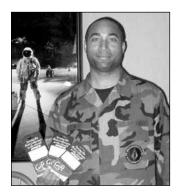
>> \$10 PER MONTH << (\$30 regist. fee incl. book & T-shirt!) Every Wed • 12:00-1:00 pm

Community Center 634-3140

Texas Hold'em winners at the Club

Hosted at the **Recce Point Club** every other Thursday is Texas Hold'em, starting at 5:30 pm. It is open to 18 and older and the cost is \$5 for members & \$10 for nonmembers. (The price includes hors d'oeuvre). Each first place winner from a Texas Hold'Em night will win multiple BX gift cards. A bartender is available for beverages.

Call the Recce Point Club at 634-4948 for more information on all this and more.



On February 22nd SSgt Shann Elmore was the big first place



On March 8th Mr. Marvin Martyn walked away with the top prizes.

outh Center



Mar 24-25 9:00 pm-7:00 am Ages 13-18

Challenges, Competitions, Food & Fun! \$10 members, \$15 non-members.

SALSA DANCE INSTRUCTION

Begins April 2 - May 2 • 4:00 pm-5:00 pm Participants will practice for 4 weeks with a final performance at the Base Cinco de Mayo celebration Ages 9-18 FREE!

AMERICAN RED CROSS

Babysitting COURSE



April 3rd • 8:30 am-4:00 pm Information and skills necessary to provide safe and responsible care for children Ages 11-15 \$25 Fee, add \$10 for Child/Infant CPR. Pre registration required.

Tennis Classes

April 9, 16, 23, 30, May 7, 14, 21 & 28 Ages 7-11 • 4:30 pm / Ages 12-18 • 5:30 pm Beginner and Advanced Beginner classes will be held at the Tennis courts. \$15 per hour-long class. Sign up by Apr 5th

Youth Center •634-4953

Tickets Now Available

SACRAMENTO KINGS Tickets are \$44.50 each to all home games.

KINGS VS. UTAH JAZZ • 6 APR 7:00 pm KINGS VS. NEW ORLEANS HORNETS • 16 APR 7:00 pm

GIANTS TICKETS

5 MAY vs. Philadelphia Phillies 12:55pm, Cost: \$27

• 23 JUN vs. NY Yankees Time TBA, Cost: \$34

• 8 SEP vs. LA Dodgers Time TBA, Cost: \$30

OAKLAND A'S

• 19 MAY Oakland A's vs. SF Giants. Cost: \$18 • 16 JUN Oakland A's vs. St. Louis, Cost: \$18 • 29 SEP Oakland A's vs. LA Angels, Cost: \$10

OAC/ITT • 634-4882



GS and NAF positions available

Great opportunity for High School and College Students

GS positions, call Civilian Personnel at 634-2255

NAF positions call HRO at 634-2241

Lifequard and Water Safety Instructor Classes

Classes in March for both LGI and WSI Instruction. Call Yuba City Racquet Club 673-6900. Applicants for Beale Lifequards must have their current Red Cross LGI (Lifeguard Instruction) certifications to apply for lifeguard positions and WSI (Water Safety Instruction) certification to apply for any of the swim instructor positions available. Title 22 is also required in California. Application process will begin in April for base pools.

www.bealeservices.com

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Private pilot school begins soon

Learning to fly can be one of life's most rewarding adventures. Whether you are considering learning to fly for recreation, or to pursue a career in aviation, you are about to embark on one of the most exciting and enjoyable experiences of your life. If you are ready to spread your wings and learn to fly, the **Aero Club** on Beale is the aviation destination for you! The Aero Club will be offering a Private Pilot Ground School beginning March 27th at 6 pm. The course will meet Tuesday and Thursday evening from 6-8:30 pm, working around holidays and exercises for about 10 weeks. This course is a great way to start on the road to takeoff!

Flying challenges you, provides continuous learning, builds confidence, and makes you a member of an exclusive club.

The requirements for being issued a private pilot license are governed by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) of the U.S. Department of Transportation.

To get a private pilot's license, you must

- be at least 17 years
- have a current FAA third-class medical certificate
- log at least 40 hours of flight time
- have at least 20 hours of flight with an instructor
- have at least 10 hours of solo flight
- pass the FAA Private Pilot Airmen Knowledge written test
- pass a FAA Private Pilot flight check

The first step toward a Pilot's license is usually to complete some sort of ground school. This college level ground school course is designed to prepare you to pass the FAA Written exam, and to introduce you to the myriad of subjects associated with Aviation. The course includes Airplane systems, Aerodynamics, Airport layout, signs and operation, Communication, Weather, Regulations, Publications, Charts, Visual Navigation, Electronic Navigation, Flight Planning, Physiology and much more.

Cost of the Course is \$410. Tuition Assistance has recently become available and will cover \$250 of the cost. The remainder (\$160) is a very complete set of books, pubs and tools to use in your class and subsequent flying.



Get off the ground floor and reserve your seat now. E-mail your reply to larry.doyle@beale.af.mil or call the Aero Club at **634-9011**. Leave a message if they are out flying, and they will get back to you as soon as possible.



Join the 9th Medical Group as we cheer on our favorite college basketball teams!

A \$2 donation includes food, door prizes and a prize for the individual showing the most unique team spirit!

WEAR YOUR TEAM JERSEY AND BRING OUT THE FAMILY!





A craft will be included & library items can be checked out by participants.

Hub Zemke Library 634-2314



Community Center 634-3140

Family Night Arts & Crafts

March 28th • 5-7:30 pm

there will be lots of glitter and paint so be sure to have your child dressed for mess! Club Members: \$4.95, Non-members: \$6.95 **Kids under 10 FREE!**



April 8th 10:30 am-2:00 pm

Club Members: **\$14.95.**

Non-Members:

\$16.95 Kids under 10 FREE!

CALL FOR PARTIES OF SIX OR MORE.

-Thursday Night-

Family Dining at the Club

Every Thursday from 5:00-7:30 pm Enjoy a relaxing atmosphere and dine on delicious food!

Recce Point Club • 634-4948



Wear Green & Bowl for only a Buck!

Every Day in March 10:00 am-7:00 pm

\$1 per Game \$1 Shoes

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TTT closes in on 10,000 hires

PENSACOLA, Fla. - Troops to Teachers, the government program helping former military members become public school teachers, is quickly approaching the milestone mark of 10,000 hires.

According to the latest official status report, 9,904 teachers have been hired through the program since its establishment in 1994. The latest numbers also report that Troops to Teachers are represented in more than 3,100 school districts across the country.

Troops to Teachers (www.ProudtoServeAgain.co m) helps eligible military personnel begin second careers as public school teachers by providing referral assistance, placement services, and - for those electing to teach at high-need schools financial stipends and bonuses of up to \$10,000.

In addition to providing highly qualified teachers, the program also provides the types of teachers that are in highest demand. The highlights of an August 2005 National Center for Educational

Information report include:

- * 82 percent of teachers entering through Troops to Teachers is male, compared to 18 percent of all teachers (2005 NCEI study).
- * 37 percent of Troops teachers are persons of color, compared to 15 percent overall.
- * 46 percent of Troops teachers teach sciences (biology, geology, physics, and chemistry), versus 18 percent overall
- * 27 percent are teaching math, versus 7 percent overall.

Troops to Teachers is administered by the Department of Defense and Department of Education and managed by the Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support.

For more information, visit http://www.dantes.dod-ed.mil/dantes_web/library/docs/ttt/NCEI_TT_v3.pdf, http://www.civicventures.org/publications/policy_papers/pdfs/troops_teach.pdf or http://www.dantes.doded.mil/dantes_web/library/multimedia/ttt/lBushPSA.mov.